

**METHOD, APPARATUS AND PROGRAM STORAGE DEVICE FOR
VERIFYING EXISTENCE OF A REDUNDANT FIBRE CHANNEL PATH**

ABSTRACT

5 A method, apparatus and program storage device for verifying existence of a
redundant Fibre Channel path is disclosed. The present invention verifies that a
redundant path exists prior to moving the WWNN and WWPN. Thus, if the path being
used for Fibre Channel communication is lost, connectivity can be restored when the
source of the original connection can access the physical interface where the WWNN and
10 WWPN have been moved.